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For: Electrochemical Biosensor Test Strip

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following claims prior to examination of the above-referenced application for reissue:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 33 to 38, as follows:

33. A test strip comprising a sample application port and edges wherein the sample application port is located along an indented edge to provide for identification of the sample application port.

34. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber and a sample application port wherein the sample application port is adjacent said capillary fill chamber and is located along an indented edge.

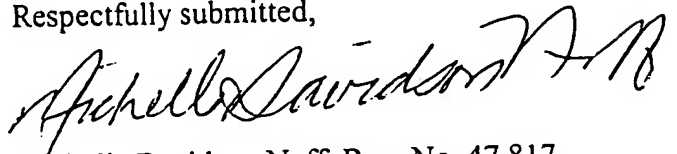
35. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber bounded by a first insulating substrate having a notch and a roof having a notch wherein the substrate notch and the roof notch are aligned and positioned at the entrance of a sample application port.

36. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber with a sample application port wherein the upper and lower boundaries for the capillary fill chamber have notches that are aligned at the sample application port.

37. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber wherein a roof of the chamber contains a transparent or translucent window that is bounded by a substantially opaque portion, the window area defining the minimum sample amount required to accurately perform a test.

38. A test strip comprising a capillary fill chamber and a roof positioned adjacent the capillary fill chamber and forming a boundary for said chamber, the roof comprising a frame portion and a window portion wherein the frame portion is of such color or opacity as to provide a contrast between said frame and said window portion.

Respectfully submitted,



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